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Staff meeting.

George Kennan came to see me. He proposes to finish some studies he is making on Soviet matters. Since we have no present intention of terminating his assignment as Ambassador to the Soviet Union, I told him to arrange with Carl Humelsine to do this special work away from the Department, and I would discuss his future plans with him later in the year.

Ambassador Merle Cochran, from Indonesia, called on me. He is here for consultation, and expects shortly to return to his post. He asked me whether the Department would have any objection to his accepting an offer as Deputy in the International Monetary Fund if it were tendered to him. I told him we would have no objection.

The Spanish Ambassador called on me. I had Bob McBride as the third party. The Ambassador wanted to know whatever I could tell him about our policy toward the Tunisian-Moroccan dispute at the UN. I explained to him our attitude.

Sam Reber came to talk about Walter Donnelly's resignation. I suggested he send it in at once, and we could then make appropriate arrangements for whatever announcement seemed necessary.

I was host at lunch today at Blair House for the Chinese Foreign Minister, Mr. Yeh. He is one of the most agreeable individuals I have met for years. We had ~~a long talk about Chinese paintings,~~ bronzes, and porcelains. He told me the Chinese Nationalist Government had succeeded in evacuating to ~~Formosa, in all, thousands of~~ packing cases, the principal art objects in the palaces and museums at Peking, as well as some from other parts of China. When he was a student

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